

**SECTION 10.24.(c)** Beginning October 1, 2011, the Department of Health and Human Services shall provide quarterly written reports on the status of HIT efforts to the Senate Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services, the House of Representatives Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, and the Fiscal Research Division. The reports due each January 1 and July 1 shall consist of updates to substantial initiatives or challenges that have occurred since the most recent comprehensive report. The reports due each October 1 and April 1 shall be comprehensive and shall include all of the following:

- (1) Current status of federal HIT initiatives.
- (2) Current status of State HIT efforts and initiatives among both public and private entities.
- (3) A breakdown of current public and private funding sources and dollar amounts for State HIT initiatives.
- (4) Department efforts to coordinate HIT initiatives within the State and any obstacles or impediments to coordination.
- (5) HIT research efforts being conducted within the State and sources of funding for research efforts.
- (6) Opportunities for stakeholders to participate in HIT funding and other efforts and initiatives during the next quarter.
- (7) Issues associated with the implementation of HIT in North Carolina and recommended solutions to these issues.

#### **FUNDS FOR STROKE PREVENTION**

**SECTION 10.25.(a)** Of the funds appropriated in this act to the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health, the sum of four hundred thousand dollars (\$400,000) in nonrecurring funds for the 2011-2012 fiscal year and the sum of four hundred thousand dollars (\$400,000) in nonrecurring funds for the 2012-2013 fiscal year is allocated to the Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention Branch for continuation of community education campaigns and communication strategies, in partnership with the American Heart Association/American Stroke Association, on stroke signs and symptoms and the importance of immediate response.

**SECTION 10.25.(b)** Of the funds appropriated in this act to the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health, the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) in nonrecurring funds for the 2011-2012 fiscal year and the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) in nonrecurring funds for the 2012-2013 fiscal year is allocated for continued operations of the Stroke Advisory Council.

#### **AIDS DRUG ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

**SECTION 10.26.** The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) shall work with the Department of Correction (DOC) to use DOC funds to purchase pharmaceuticals for the treatment of DOC inmates with HIV/AIDS in a manner that allows these funds to be accounted for as State matching funds in DHHS' drawdown of federal Ryan White funds.

#### **MEN'S HEALTH**

**SECTION 10.26A.** The Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health, shall delegate to the Chronic Disease Prevention and Control Office the responsibility for ensuring attention to the prevention of disease and improvement in the quality of life for men over their entire lifespan. The Department shall develop strategies for achieving these goals, which shall include (i) developing a strategic plan to improve health care services, (ii) building public health awareness, (iii) developing initiatives within existing programs, and (iv) pursuing federal and State funding for the screening, early detection, and treatment of prostate cancer and other diseases affecting men's health.